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# *Manager's Report*

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November 18, 2009



# Dredging – Upper Newport Bay

- ❑ RDA and Corp still working through contractual issues. Project will start very soon.
- ❑ RDA is trying to create a launch site for their employees near their work site at Unit I/III Basin (Jamboree Bridge).
  - Allowed in the project specs.
  - Dedicated, reserved employee parking in that area seems to be the biggest hurdle

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# Dredging – Lower Newport Bay Status

- NewFields sediment testing
  - Draft report will be completed this week.
  - To be reviewed by the DMMT in December and approved...hopefully
  - This data is needed to help us determine quantities of clean and contaminated material
  - To be forwarded to Anchor QEA and Corps Operations for detailed analysis



# Dredging – Lower Newport Bay

## Status (continued)

- Anchor QEA – Environmental (CEQA) Work
  - Council approved Amendment No. 1 to their contract on November 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - Two parallel paths:
    - Port of Long Beach Disposal
      - Preferred alternative for Lower Bay, Rhine Channel and RGP-exclusion zones
      - Requires a Mitigated Negative Declaration to dredge and haul away
    - Newport Harbor Disposal – CAD site (or other disposal method)
      - Contingency plan if POLB option disappears, or if a combination of POLB and Newport disposal is needed (i.e. smaller CAD).
      - Requires an EIR

# Dredging – Lower Newport Bay

## Status (continued)

- October 30<sup>th</sup> meeting at City Hall with: Colonel Magness and top Corps Operations staff, Mayor Selich and Council Members Daigle and Henn, Harbor Commissioners Rhyne and Collins, Dave Kiff, Sharon Wood, Larry Paul, myself and other City staff.
- Discussed strategy, timelines and coordination so we are all on the same page
- Colonel expressed a desire to *possibly* begin dredging the clean material in Spring 2010 to get the project started on a small scale. Some funding may be available but allocation may be tricky.
- On November 19<sup>th</sup>, we're meeting with the Water Board to discuss the Rhine Channel and how it relates to the overall project. Funding opportunities will be discussed.

# Port of Long Beach Opportunity for Newport

- Consolidate 2 older facilities (Pier D, E & F) into one efficient 345 acre rectangular terminal.
- Construction will begin in phases, each with multiple stages over a 10 year period.
- Fine-grained fill from Newport and elsewhere will be needed first, as a base in 2011.
- Time is of the essence to satisfy CEQA and permitting during this small window of opportunity.

Before



After





# Newport Harbor Mooring RFP

- Proposal deadline November 12
- Received 6 proposals that will be reviewed over the next few weeks
- Harbor Patrol contract will be extended month to month until selection and contract process are completed

# Jim Sinasek Receives Award !!

- “2009 Dockwalker Hall of Fame”
- Jim handed out 213 State supplied Boater Kits
  - Boater education
  - Green boating tips
  - So. Cal. Guide for all the harbors
  - Discount coupon for West Marine



November, 2009

Dear Mr. Sinasek:

**Congratulations** on behalf of the **California Department of Boating and Waterways** and the **California Coastal Commission's statewide Boating Clean and Green Program, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation** and the **Keep the Delta Clean Program**. Due to your hard work in distributing the 2009 boater kits and collecting boater questionnaires, you are one of the top ten **2009 Dockwalkers**. You ranked second among the top ten Dockwalkers. Enclosed please find your West Marine Jacket. Please feel free to go to any West marine store if you need to exchange your jacket.

Your name will be included in our **2009 Dockwalkers Contest Winners** website at <http://www.coastal.ca.gov/ccbn/dockwalkers.html>. We would also like to include your picture on our website, so please send us a digital photo of yourself to [vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov](mailto:vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov) or to the following address:

Vivian Matuk  
Environmental Boating Program Coordinator  
California Department of Boating and Waterways  
California Coastal Commission  
45 Fremont Street, Ste 1900  
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Thanks again for your hard work during the 2009 boating season. Your work, support, and enthusiasm have been invaluable to our programs. We look forward to working with you again during the 2010 boating season in distributing boater kits and educating boaters about environmentally sound practices.

Sincerely,

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C. Dave Kiff, Newport Beach, City Manager  
Chris Miller, Newport Beach Harbor Resources Manager



# China Cove Sand Replenishment

- Approximately 1,000 cy moved from the larger China Cove beach to the smaller China Cove beach
- Wheel loader traversed along the beach with minimal impact to the area.



Two Weeks Later





# Boat Auction

- Auction took place on November 6<sup>th</sup>
- Took in \$1,200
- 3 sailboats to destroy...  
Abandoned Vessel  
Abatement Fund ?



# Abandoned Boat Bill – AB166

- Passed in October 2009.
- Designed to rid our waterways of derelict or abandoned vessels.
- Allows owners to turn in the vessel to the local government agency without incurring any fines.

So...what does this mean for Newport?

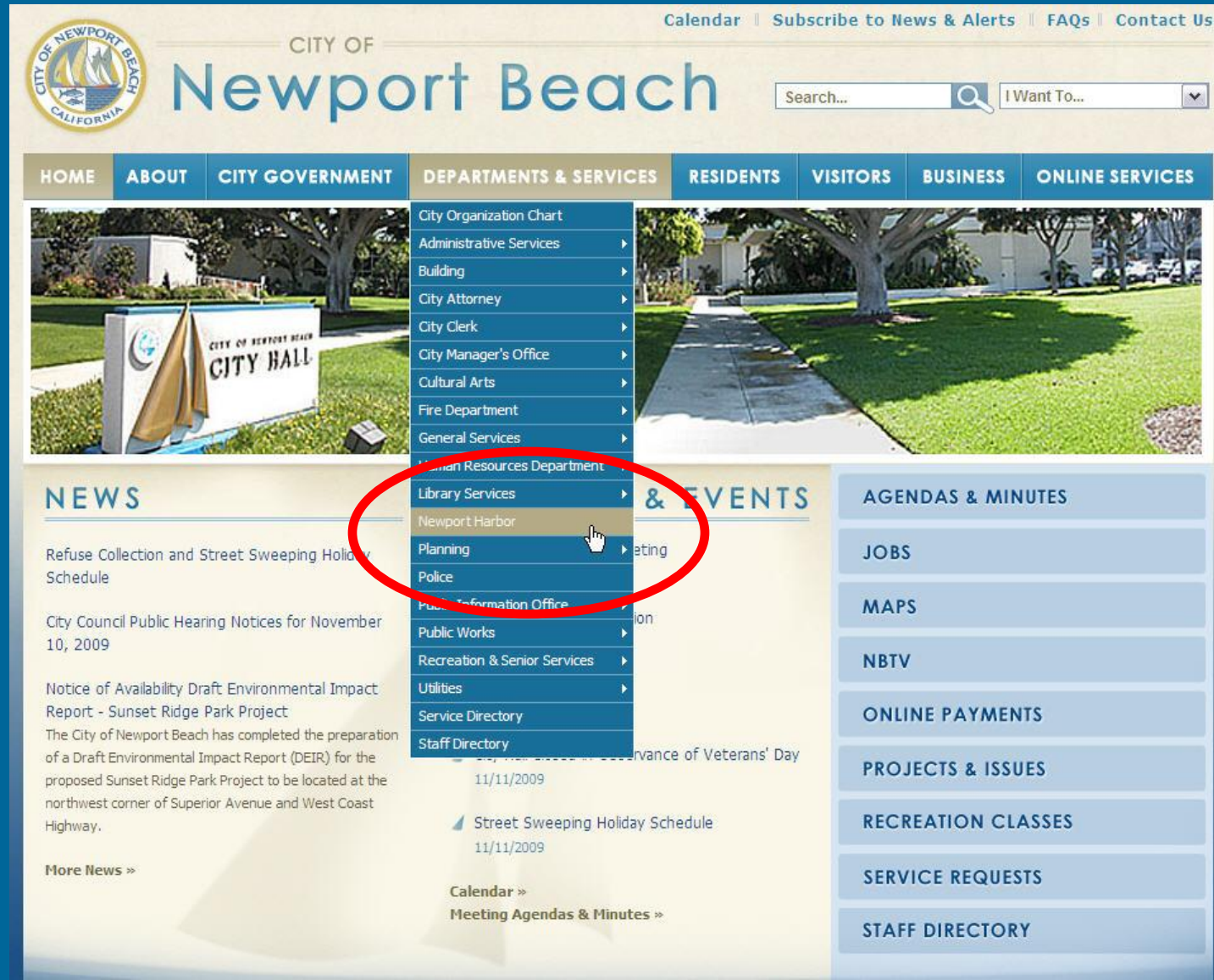
- Unknown at this time how this will impact the City.
- No guidelines published yet on how to run the program.
- Harbor Resources has already been approached by companies interested in destroying these vessels.

# Website Improvement

- Harbor Resources can be located in 2 ways:

- Under “City Manager’s Office” as usual

- Under “Newport Harbor” on main pull-down. More convenient and intuitive for visitors.





# Other Issues

## ■ Rhine Channel

- Could start in mid December, but we'll probably hold off until the first of the year to avoid the holiday boating / pedestrian traffic.

## ■ Public Dock Access Improvements (15<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and Fernando)

- Public Works is still working with Building on ADA issues.

## ■ Coastal Marinas Permit

- Jim Sinasek will give an update in January.

## ■ Water Taxi Subcommittee

- Report to Council Study Session on November 24.

## ■ Harbor Commission Task List – Final?

- Please review and edit as necessary.

# December Harbor Commission ??

- Scheduled in 3 weeks on December 9<sup>th</sup>
  - No foreseeable issues
  - Shall we go dark for December?

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